#### CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REQUEST FORM

Today's date: 02 , 16 , 18

Date of meeting 02 , 21 , 18

(City Council meetings are held the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month.)

Name of Citizen, Organization, Elected Official, or Department Head making request:  City Clerk Maree Peck
Address:
Phone number and email address: 208-263-3310 mpeck@sandpointidaho.gov
Authorized by:
name of City official City official's signature (Department Heads, City Council members, and the Mayor are City officials.)
Subject: Idaho Unified Certification Program
Summary of what is being requested: Authorize entering into agreement which is required for
Federal funding with ITD administering the required Disadvantage Enterprise Program
The following information MUST be completed before submitting your request to the City Clerk:  1. Would there be any financial impact to the city? Yes or No  If yes, in what way?
2. Name(s) of any individual(s) or group(s) that will be directly affected by this action:  Have they been contacted Yes or No
3. Is there a need for a general public information or public involvement plan? Yes or No If yes, please specify and suggest a method to accomplish the plan:
4. Is an enforcement plan needed? Yes or No
5. Have all the affected departments been informed about this agenda item? Yes or No  This form must be submitted no later than 6 working days prior to the scheduled meeting. All pertinent paperwork to be distributed to City Council must be attached.

ITEMS WILL NOT BE AGENDIZED WITHOUT THIS FORM

Sandpoint, Idaho February 2016

#### CITY OF SANDPOINT AGENDA REPORT

**DATE:** February 16, 2018

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: City Clerk Maree Peck

SUBJECT: Idaho Unified Certification Program Agreement

**DESCRIPTION/BACKGROUND:** Received the attached letter and agreement from the Idaho Transportation Department, Office of Civil Rights. The agreement is required by Federal Regulations for recipients eligible for Federal funding. The Idaho Transportation Department will manage the program required through this process.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** The Mayor has already signed the agreement but recognize that one of the requirements of the agreement that the governing agency is required to approve entering into the agreement through adoption of a resolution. Will forward the signed agreement to the Idaho Transportation Department, Office of Civil Rights Manager, with the adopted and executed resolution.

**ACTION:** The City Council authorize the City to enter into the agreement.

#### WILL THERE BE ANY FINANCIAL IMPACT? NO HAS THIS ITEM BEEN BUDGETED?

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

Letter from Idaho Transportation Department dated January 25, 2018 Draft resolution Agreement Establishing the Idaho Unified Certification Program

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CLERK'S OFFICE
CITY OF SANDPOINT

January 25, 2018

Maree Peck 1123 Lake St Sandpoint, ID 83864-1714

RE: Idaho Unified Certification Program

Dear City Clerk/Personnel Director Peck:

All United State Department of Transportation Recipients in the State of Idaho

Attached for your information is an updated copy of the agreement which established the Idaho Unified Certification Program (UCP). This agreement was originally established by the Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) and approved by the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) in November of 2002.

As required by 49 Code of Federal Regulation, Part 26 the agreement established the required one-stop-shop in the administration of and standards regarding companies in the Idaho Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program. Each recipient of USDOT funding is required to sign the attached Statement of Agreement recognizing ITD as the agency authorized to manage the Disadvantage Enterprise Program for the State of Idaho. Please email the signed acknowledgement to civilrights@itd.idaho.gov.

Information regarding ITD's DBE Program is available at:

http://apps.itd.idaho.gov/apps/ocr/ocrDBEPROGRAM.aspx.

If you have any question or concerns regarding the changes on the enclosed agreement please contact ITD's Office of Civil Rights at: <a href="mailto:civilrights@itd.idaho.gov">civilrights@itd.idaho.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

Diane Cole

Diane Cole

Office of Civil Rights Manager

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No: 18-

Date: February 21, 2018

## RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL CITY OF SANDPOINT

#### TITLE: IDAHO UNIFIED CERTIFICATION PROGRAM AGREEMENT

WHEREAS: The Idaho Unified Certification Program Agreement was originally established by the Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) and approved by the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) in November 2002 as defined by 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) and in accordance with the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program;

WHEREAS: Each recipient of USDOT funding is required to enter into this agreement, recognizing ITD as the agency authorized to manage the DBE Program for the State of Idaho;

WHEREAS: All recipients of federal transportation funds in the State of Idaho are covered by the requirements of 49 CFR §26.81 and required to participate in an Idaho Unified Certification Program (IUCP); and,

WHEREAS: The City of Sandpoint agrees to abide by the requirements of the IUCP.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Mayor is authorized to execute the Idaho Unified Certification Program Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as if fully incorporated herein.

ATTEST:		Shelby Rognstad, Mayor		
Maree Peck, City Clerk				
City Council Members:	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT

- 1. Eddy
- 2. Aitken
- 3. Williamson
- 4. Ruehle
- 5. Aispuro
- 6. Darling

### Agreement Establishing The Idaho Unified Certification Program

### For the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program in the State of Idaho

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into by and between the attached listed Recipients and the Idaho Transportation Department (ITD), each a recipient as that term is defined by 49 CFR §26.81 and in accordance with the ITD approved Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program.

WHEREAS, 49 CFR §26.81 requires federal transportation fund recipients of a state to create a Unified Certification Program (UCP) as part of each recipient's DBE program; and

WHEREAS, the parties require certification, renewal, and decertification of firms as a DBE; and

WHEREAS, all recipients of federal transportation funds in this state are covered by the requirements of 49 CFR §26.81, and are also required to participate in a Unified Certification Program; and

WHEREAS, the parties desire to join together for cooperative action pursuant to carrying out the requirements of 49 CFR §26 and to establish an Idaho Unified Certification Program (IUCP); and

WHEREAS, the governing board of each party has by resolution authorized the entering into of the Agreement and the establishment of the IUCP; and

WHEREAS, by that agreement each current recipient and/or future recipients identified by the ITD are bound by the requirements of the IUCP and agree to abide by the requirements of the IUCP which is a continuation of the ITD current and previous process.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and benefits that each party shall derive therefrom, the parties agree as follows:

#### **ARTICLE I: PURPOSES**

The parties have entered into this Agreement for the purposes of creating an Idaho Unified Certification Program (IUCP) to be administered by the Idaho Transportation Department Office of Civil Rights (OCR). The ITD OCR will oversee the process for designation of a Certification Committee as stated in the approved ITD DBE Program under section III DBE Certification Process, A. Certification Committee. This Certification Committee will perform DBE certification, renewal, and decertification for Idaho recipients.

#### **ARTICLE II: SERVICES**

#### Section 2.1. Idaho Unified Certification Program

The IUCP is hereby created and implemented in accordance with 49 CFR §26.81, as amended.

- a. The IUCP will follow all certification, renewal, and decertification procedures in accordance with the certification standards of CFR 49, Subpart D of §26, the certification procedures of Subpart E of §26 and Subpart C of §23 as applied by the ITD in its DBE Program. This is addressed in the DBE Program Plan in Subpart E DBE Certification Procedures. The Application Procedure for Certification as follows:
  - i. Applications are conducted online at: https://itd.dbesystem.com
  - ii. The ITD DBE Program Coordinator reviews the application and documentation to verify that the information is complete and then requests that the appropriate district Safety Compliance Officer (SCO) perform an onsite review.
  - iii. The Certification Committee will meet every thirty (30) days or sooner if necessary. The Certification Committee will make eligibility decisions within 90 days of receipt of all required information.
  - iv. Out of state firms applying for certification must be certified within their home state to qualify for the Idaho program. On-site-reviews from the out-of-state applicant will be accepted from the home state certification entity. See Subpart E.4, "Interstate Certification", in the DBE Program Plan.
  - v. A firm that believes that they have been wrongly denied certification may appeal in writing to the United States Department of Transportation, Departmental Office of Civil Rights, External Civil Rights Program Division, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, D.C. 20590. Appeals must be submitted within ninety (90) days after certification has been denied.
  - vi. A firm that receives a Notice of Intent to Decertify may request an informal hearing by the selected Hearing Officer. Requests for an oral hearing must be submitted within 10 days of the notification and will be conducted within 30 days of receipt of the request. A hearing request for written arguments must be submitted within 30 days and then the selected Hearing Officer will make a decision within 30 days from receipt of the request. Any request for a hearing must be directed to Office of Civil Rights Manager (OCRM) at the Idaho Transportation Department, 3311 West State Street, Boise, Idaho 83703-1129.
  - vii. The Idaho electronic DBE Directory located on the ITD website will be updated with additions, deletions, and other changes as they occur. In addition to this update, upon request interested members of the IUCP will be notified of changes as they occur.
- The IUCP will cooperate fully with oversight, review and monitoring activities of the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) and its operating administrations.

- c. The IUCP will implement USDOT directives and guidance concerning certification, renewal, and decertification procedures in accordance with the certification standards of CFR 49, Subpart D of §26, the certification procedures of Subpart E of §26 and Subpart C of §23 as applied by the approved ITD DBE Program Plan.
- d. Each recipient party to this Agreement shall ensure that the IUCP has sufficient resources and expertise to carry out the requirements of 49 CFR §26 and §23. The ITD Office of Civil Rights is currently receiving appropriate resources to provide the needed actions to meet the requirements of 49 CFR §26 in the establishment and implementation of the IUCP.
- e. The IUCP will be fully implemented within 120 days of the Secretary's approval of the IUCP on the following schedule:
  - Within 90 days of the Secretary's approval of the IUCP, each party to this agreement will begin to utilize the unified procedures set forth in the IUCP Agreement.
  - ii. Within 120 days after the Secretary's approval of the IUCP, the Committee will begin to meet on a regular basis as required to certify DBE applicants.
  - iii. Within 60 days after the Secretary's approval the IUCP will post the unified DBE Directory on its website.

#### Section 2.2. Idaho Unified Certification Committee

The ITD/OCRM is identified as the administrator of the IUCP and responsible for the process for designation of the Certification Committee (Committee) which is established to administer the IUCP certifications as required by the approved ITD DBE Program Plan and CFR 49 §26, Subpart D and Subpart E and §23, Subpart C.

#### Section 2.3. DBE Directory

An online DBE Directory will be maintained by the ITD/OCR at https://itd.dbesystem.com.

#### Section 2.4. Classification of Business and Financial Information

Each recipient under this Agreement shall safeguard from disclosure to unauthorized person information that may reasonably be considered confidential business information consistent with Federal, State and local law.

#### ARTICLE III: TERM AND SCOPE OF AGREEMENT

#### Section 3.1. Term

This agreement shall be effective immediately upon its execution by all the parties hereto and the approval of the IUCP by the Secretary of the USDOT. This Agreement

and the IUCP shall continue in force as long as required by federal laws and regulations, unless terminated pursuant to Section 3.2. of the Agreement.

#### **Section 3.2. Early Termination**

Any party to this Agreement may terminate its relationship to the IUCP upon a showing of non-recipient status, provided approval is given by USDOT for such termination.

#### Section 3.3. Limited Agreement

This Agreement is limited in scope and nothing contained in this Agreement shall imply any relationship between any of the signing parties beyond the creation and implementation of the IUCP.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement on the dates indicated below and attached:

#### **IDAHO TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT**

BY:	Bim W. Nan
-	BRIAN W. NESS. Director

DATE: 10/12/2017